

NEWS FROM RICHMOND AND OTHER PARTS OF VIRGINIA.

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AND GOSSIPRyan's Suit, Against the Seaboard
Air Line Withdrawn.

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Board of Public Works Directs That
Certain Floating Property of the
Norfolk and Western at Lambert's
Point Be Listed in Norfolk County
Instead of this City—Other Important
and Interesting Matters.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Richmond, Va., April 7.—It was authoritatively announced to-day by the attorneys for Thomas F. Ryan, of New York, that the latter's suit against the Seaboard Air Line for the cancellation of the pooling agreement entered into in the fall of 1896 had been withdrawn. The suit was also for the purpose of securing 153 shares of stock. It was stated to-day by Messrs. Stiles & Holladay, Ryan's attorneys, in this city, that when the sale to the Williams syndicate took place the pool was dissolved, and there was no longer reason for continuing the suit. Thus ends finally the tremendous efforts made by Ryan to obtain control of the Seaboard Air Line. The road is now completely independent, and is in no danger from any syndicate, the system having even purchased the Southern's Southern connection from Columbia, S. C., to Tampa.

NORFOLK TO LOSE TAXES.

The Board of Public Works was in session at the Capitol yesterday discharging routine business. The board has entered an order to the effect that certain floating property of the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company at Lambert's Point be taxed in Norfolk county instead of the city of Norfolk. The board listed the property for taxation in Norfolk county.

The company recently sued to have the board restrained from taxing this property, saying it was registered in Philadelphia, and subject to taxation there. The court held that as it was owned by a Virginia corporation it must be taxed in Virginia. The property was of the value of \$145,000. The Board of Public Works thought Lambert's Point within the corporation limits of the city of Norfolk, but was assured by the authorities of Norfolk county, that it was wholly within the county, and was requested by them to have the property taxed in the county.

FORMATION OF CORPORATIONS.
An unusually large number of corporations have recently been formed in Virginia, judging by the number of charters filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. That with the largest capital is the Virginia Iron, Coke and Coal Company, at Pulaski. Its minimum capital is \$50,000; the maximum \$10,000,000.

BESIEGING THE GOVERNOR.
Inquiries regarding the cattle quarantine; letters of invitation to deliver commencement addresses; and requests for money from the bulk of the Governor's mail at present. He received three letters begging money to-day. The writers never urge any claim except extreme poverty. A Lunenburg woman was the writer of one extremely pathetic in character.

Dr. W. F. Drewry, superintendent of the Central State Hospital at Petersburg, was to see Governor Tyler to-day, and invited him to attend the May meeting of the Board of Directors. The Governor will go if possible.

A great many callers visit the Capitol daily to see the Trenton bust of General Fitzhugh Lee, which was placed on exhibition in the rotunda this week.

The Department of Education has arranged the list of instructors for the



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summer normal schools, but will not make the names public at present.

WILLIAM AND MARY.

The review course at William and Mary College, open to all male public school teachers of the State free of tuition fees, will begin May 8th, and close June 3d. All female teachers can take advantage of practically the same course, of the same length, and on the same terms at the State Female Normal School at Farmville. A ten weeks' review course for the benefit of public school teachers of the State is now open at the University of Virginia. There are no fees.

NED WILLIAMS' BIRTHDAY.

Captain Ned Williams, of Portsmouth, who is the Ancient Mariner of the elevator at the Capitol, celebrated his 63th birthday to-day. Everybody who rode with him and knew he was just his 63th mile-stone expressed an earnest wish that he might live to reach the 100th.

RAILROAD NOTES.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company is now negotiating with the Pullman company for the construction of several hundred box cars. The increase in freight business makes more cars a necessity.

The Atlantic Coast Line Company is just inaugurating a system of volunteer relief for disabled employees that is expected to be highly beneficial.

It is said here that the Norfolk and Western is pushing the scheme to build a line from Bristol to Knoxville to connect with the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern, which runs to Marietta, and is about to build a twenty mile line from the latter point to Atlanta. This would give the Norfolk and Western an Atlanta line, which it has long wanted.

The Richmond Locomotive Works is now filling an order from the Louisville and Nashville for fifteen simple locomotives, to be completed by July or August. The works are building ten more for the Missouri, Kansas and Texas for September delivery.

I was told to-day that at least 1,000 delegates would attend the conventions of the Master Carbuilders' National Association and the American Association of Railway Master Mechanics at Old Point June 14.

ROBBED A TREASURER.

A telegram from Goldsboro, Carroll county, states that Mr. M. P. Webb, deputy treasurer, while out collecting taxes, was attacked and robbed a few days since by a man near Goldsboro. Mr. Webb succeeded in getting his money back by quickly drawing his revolver and threatening to shoot the robber. No arrest has yet been made.

TOWN OF SUFFOLK

Delegates Selected to County
Democratic Convention.

A Delightful Easter Hop—A Small
Fire—Brilliant Literary Reception
—Chapter on Mad Dogs—Fire Near
Holland—Personal.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Suffolk, Va., April 7.—The Democrats of Suffolk in mass meeting assembled to-night named delegates to the Nantuxent County Convention, which will meet in Suffolk next Monday to nominate county officers. J. E. Booker was chairman and P. L. Pruden secretary.

J. E. West moved that the town be divided into four districts, that the selection of delegates might be facilitated. Carried.

When a collection was proposed to pay for the City Hall Theatre, Sheriff A. H. Baker, one of the candidates, won applause by opposing the collection, and declaring the candidates would foot the bills. The hat wasn't passed.

After a long and tedious count the following delegates were declared chosen:

West, Side—Eugene Hurley, C. J. Duke, D. R. Lassiter, John W. Ames, W. C. Harrell, W. T. Rabey, J. E. Phillips, G. W. Brittain, H. M. Parker.

Central—J. M. Viggins, S. M. Lawrence, J. C. Smith, H. E. Elam, G. W. Truitt, J. E. West, J. P. Bell, W. B. Ferguson.

East, Side—W. M. Atkinson, G. S. P. Holland, G. P. Pickett, John B. Pliner, J. L. McEmore, John M. Butler, J. U. Burges, H. E. Smith, W. T. Lipscomb.

North Side—W. J. Kilby, R. E. Norfleet, Wilson Norfleet, John P. Huffman.

EASTER HOP.

That hop at the new Armory Hall last night was one of the most brilliant and pleasurable little functions that has taken place here for a long time.

Because of the fact that most of the German Club attended a reception earlier in the night, the dance did not attain its full volume and brilliancy till about 1 o'clock this morning. It was over about 2:30. The music was made by the Boston Ladies' Military Band, of twenty pieces. The young gals of the band had given concerts and played for hops several nights previously, and were very tired. But that didn't make the music less pretty.

WHAT THEY WORE.

The dancers were attired this way: Mrs. N. R. Withers, white silk and diamonds; with Mr. Withers.

Mrs. Frank T. Jones, Dresden silk waist, black silk skirt and diamonds, with Captain Norfleet.

Miss Mary Skiles, yellow organdie over silk, pearls; with Mr. Paul T. Cohoon.

Mrs. A. H. Baker, grey crepe de chine, with Mr. A. H. Hargrave.

Miss Annie Delk, black organdie over turquoise blue tulle, pearls; with Mr. A. S. H. Burges.

Miss Josephine Causey, white organdie, diamonds; with Mr. H. M. Carter.

Miss Frances Quimby, yellow silk over satin, rubies; with Mr. J. T. Withers.

Miss Katie Holladay, mouseline de soie over yellow satin, diamonds; with Mr. C. L. Hutchins.

Miss Lindsay Dismay, of New York, white organdie, blue sash; diamonds and pearls; with Mr. F. A. Holladay.

Miss Lizzie Baker, yellow silk, diamonds, turquoise; with Mr. H. B. Urquhart.

Miss Margaret Delk, black organdie over serise taffeta, American Beauty roses; with Mr. E. B. Smith.

Miss Edith Skiles, white organdie over pink silk, diamonds; with Mr. J. T. Shepherd.

Miss Janet Withers, white organdie,

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real lace, diamonds and rubies; with Mr. W. H. Darden.

Miss Hattie Brockenborough, pink organdie, carnations; with Captain E. A. Norfleet.

Miss Helen Quimby, pink crepe, trimmed with chiffon, diamonds; with Prof. W. C. Morton.

Miss Lillian Norfleet, white organdie, real lace, pearls; with Mr. J. U. Burges.

Stages—Messrs. J. H. Stewart, E. M. C. Quimby, Cyrus Harris, S. E. Robertson and P. H. Hayes.

The figures were led by Messrs. Withers and Burges.

A SMALL FIRE.

There was an incipient fire last night at the home of Captain E. B. Britt, 56 Main street. Some one struck a match and the head flew off to a sofa and ignited it. The blaze began to grow fast and a lady faint. Councilmen Norfleet and others rushed in and the fire was soon out. The damage is trifling.

BRILLIANT LITERARY RECEPTION.

The annual reception of the Suffolk Literary Club, which was held last night at the home of Colonel and Mrs. P. Harper, 122 Main street, was perhaps the most elaborate in the club's history. After a sumptuous supper at midnight final adjournment was had about 2 o'clock this morning. Among the numbers were two violin solos by Miss Helen Quimby; a reading by Miss Elizabeth Scott Booker; a piano solo by Miss George Crump, and a literary essay by Miss Lizzie J. King.

Very artistic in their conception and execution were the booklets handed each guest. They were each hand-painted booklets containing nineteen anagram literary questions, whose initials spelled "Suffolk Literary Club." Of the sixty persons entering the contest eighteen had correct answers. Lots were drawn and Mrs. W. H. Jones, Jr., got the ladies' prize, Browning's Poems. The men's trophy was taken by Mr. John Holladay—Kipling's Poems.

The guests registered in a beautiful little booklet, which will be kept by the hostess as a memoir of the occasion.

The decorations at the reception were pink, English ivy and pink hyacinths.

SPEAKING ABOUT MAD DOGS.

For the want of a more exciting topic to keep things warm the people around Holland are getting up some interest in hunting mad dogs. After a lively chase there to-day one rabid canine bit the dust after biting other dogs and spreading the poison as well as he could. Constable W. E. Whitfield killed it. Robert Riedel killed another mad dog there a few days ago.

FIRE NEAR HOLLAND.

The barn of Mr. George Council, a mile and a half from Holland, took fire yesterday afternoon and was totally destroyed, with most of the contents. Loss several hundred dollars. No insurance.

PERSONAL HAPPENINGS.

Attorney William Shands, of Courtland, was in Suffolk to-day taking depositions in a contested suit.

The Misses Southgate, of Norfolk, came to-day to be guests of the Misses Dismay, at the Beale House.

Mr. C. A. Shoop left to-day for a visit to Ohio.

Word came to-day from Las Vegas, New Mexico, saying Mr. Daniel Brotherton, of Suffolk, was much worse. Mr. Brotherton's wife came home if strong enough to stand the journey.

Captain H. P. Brooks and daughter, Ruth, left this afternoon for Baltimore, where the latter attends school.

Owing to rain this afternoon the Daughters of the Confederacy, who expected to meet with Mrs. L. W. Jordan this afternoon to see about getting up the Confederate Veterans' benefit, couldn't get together. The meeting was postponed till Monday at the same place, and all interested are urged to come.

The Board of Supervisors met yesterday for the consideration of road matters.

Sleepy Hole Democrats will meet tomorrow and elect delegates to the county convention in Suffolk next Monday.

AGE BEFORE BEAUTY.

A social saying, but one that should be considered, especially in whiskey. Any chemist can make a beverage, sold as whiskey, that will look beautiful, but the strength and purity will be missing. What is needed in whiskey, especially among invalids and persons suffering from debilitated stomachs, is absolute purity—in whiskey, this comes not only from distillation, but from age.

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PADEREWSKI'S GALLANTRY.

The Pianist's Strange Response to a Society Woman's Request.

An enthusiastic musician of this city tells an amusing and hitherto unprinted anecdote of Paderewski's last Southern tour, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"I encountered the pianist and his party when they were passing through Georgia," he says, "and had the pleasure of riding for some distance with them in their private car. At one of the stops Paderewski was handed a letter from a certain grande dame and noted society leader of a large Western city. It was the most gushing epistle I ever listened to, and, after several pages of what was evidently intended as a tribute to his art, the writer wound up by requesting 'a lock of hair,' and inclosed a stamp for return postage.

"When the laughter had subsided Paderewski's secretary proceeded to indite a reply, which, as nearly as I remember, ran almost as follows:

"Dear Madame—M. Paderewski directs me to say that it affords him much pleasure to comply with your request. You fall to specify whose hair you desire, and, to avoid error, he has secured a sample from each of the staff en voyage; to wit, his manager, his secretary, his valet, his two cooks and his waiter, together with a small portion from a cat and a mattress, belonging to M. Pullman, proprietor of the coach de luxe which we occupy. I have the honor to be your obedient servant."

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